NORTH STAR LAW GROUP, LLC.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT UTQIAGVIK

JASON MATYASCIK, Plaintiff, Filed in the Trial Courts State of Alaska, Second District at Utqiagvik

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ARCTIC SLOPE NATIVE
ASSOCIATION, Ltd. d/b/a SAMUEL
SIMMONDS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL,
Defendant.

By_____Deputy

Case No. 28A 19-80 CI

COMPLAINT

NORTH STAR LAW GROUP, LLC. hereby enters appearance on behalf of Plaintiff Jason Matyascik, ("Matyascik") in the above captioned action. All pleadings and correspondences should be directed to counsel at 4300 B Street, Ste 206, Anchorage, AK 99503. Plaintiff pleads as follows:

I. PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiff Jason Matyascik was once a resident of Alaska and is currently a resident of Pennsylvania. Plaintiff consents to the jurisdiction of this Court.
- Defendant Arctic Slope Native Association, Ltd. d/b/a Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital is an Alaska nonprofit corporation in good standing with entity number #10812D.¹

See Exhibit 1.

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II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 3. The events giving rise to this action occurred in the Second Judicial District in or around Utqiagvik, Alaska.
- 4. The Court has personal jurisdiction over this matter.
- 5. The Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this matter.
- 6. Venue in this Court is proper.

III. ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

- 7. On or about May 14, 2018, Plaintiff Jason Matyascik ("Matyascik") contracted with Arctic Slope Native Association, Ltd. ("ASNA") to renew his employment contract at ASNA's hospital as a physician.
- 8. ASNA is a nonprofit corporation formed under Alaska law.
- 9. ASNA is not itself a federally recognized tribe.
- 10. ASNA itself is a legally distinct entity from the tribes owning ASNA.
- 11. Under the employment contract with ASNA, Matyascik was to be compensated an estimated annual salary of \$225,290.00, plus benefits that would have included health insurance, life insurance, disability insurance, tax-deferred retirement savings, and retirement benefits, among other benefits.
- 12. Under the contract, Matyascik was entitled to three (3) months' notice for early termination of the contract.
- 13. The contract contained an integration clause.

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- 15. ASNA refused to honor the contract, terminating Matyascik's employment without providing him the three (3) months' notice.
- 16. During the 2017-2018 term of Matyascik's employment, ASNA promised to reimburse several unpaid sums to him, yet failed to fulfill those promises.
- 17. During the 2017-2018 term of Matyascik's employment, Matyascik leased housing from ASNA.
- 18. Under the landlord-tenant arrangement, ASNA charged Matyascik a security deposit.
- 19. During Matyascik's tenancy, ASNA overcharged rent, charging one half of a month's rent every two weeks, resulting in 13 full months' rent being charged within one year.
- 20. ASNA ousted Matyascik from the property without providing him a notice to quit.
- 21. Following the termination of Matyascik's tenancy, ASNA willfully failed to return Matyascik's security deposit within the statutory timeframe set forth under AS 34.03.070.
- 22. Following the termination of Matyascik's tenancy, ASNA converted his personal property in violation of AS 34.03.260.
- 23. Following ASNA's breach of the employment contract, ASNA failed to provide notice of an election for COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Actoof 1985) insurance and failed to assist Matyascik in obtaining COBRA insurance.

CAUSES OF ACTION IV.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION: BREACH OF CONTRACT

- 24. Matyascik restates and reincorporates all previous paragraphs.
- 25. Matyascik and ASNA formed a contract for Matyascik's employment.
- 26. ASNA breached that contract.
- 27. Matyascik was damaged by ASNA's breach, in an amount at least \$100,000.00.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION: VIOLATION OF UNIFORM RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD

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- 28. Matyascik restates and reincorporates all previous paragraphs.
- 29. ASNA and Matyascik had a landlord-tenant relationship subject to the provisions of the Alaska Uniform Residential Landlord Tenant Act ("URLTA").
- 30. ASNA violated the URLTA by failing to return Matyascik's security deposit pursuant to AS 34.03.070.
- 31. ASNA wrongfully ousted Matyascik without providing him a valid notice to quit or following the provisions of the URLTA.
- 32. ASNA overcharged Matyascik for rent.
- 33. ASNA failed to provide statutorily adequate notice per AS 34.03.260 regarding Matyascik's personal property following the end of Matyascik's tenancy.
- 34. Matyascik was damaged by each of ASNA's violations of the URLTA.

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35. Various implicated provisions of the URLTA provide statutory damages to which ASNA is subject.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION: CONVERSION

- 36. Matyascik restates and reincorporates all previous paragraphs.
- 37. Following the end of Matyascik's tenancy, ASNA took possession of Matyascik's personal property without his permission.
- 38. ASNA's conversion damaged Matyascik.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION: INTENTIONAL VIOLATION OF COBRA

- 39. Matyascik restates and reincorporates all previous paragraphs.
- 40. ASNA willfully violated COBRA.
- 41. Under the provisions of COBRA, Matyascik is entitled to actual damages, as well as statutory damages of up to \$110/day.

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION: BREACH OF IMPLIED COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH AND

FAIR DEALING

- 42. Matyascik restates and reincorporates all previous paragraphs.
- 43. All Alaska contracts contain implied covenants of good faith and fair dealing.
- 44. ASNA breached the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, depriving Matyascik of the benefit of his bargain.
- 45. Matyascik was damaged as a result of ASNA's conduct.

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V. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Plaintiff Matyascik prays for relief as follows:

- 1. For an award of general and specific compensatory damages in an amount to be proven at trial, of at least \$100,000.00.
- 2. For an award of statutory damages under relevant provisions of the URLTA.
- 3. For an award of statutory damages under COBRA.
- 4. For an award of other exemplary damages under AS 09.17.020.
- For an award of costs and reasonable attorney's fees as allowable by applicable authority.
- 6. For any other relief at equity or law the court deems just and warranted.

DATED: April 1, 2019

Michael Rose Alaska Bar No. 1211110

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ENTITY DETAILS

Name(s)

Туре:

Legal Name

Name:

ARCTIC SLOPE NATIVE ASSOCIATION, LTD.

Entity Type:

Nonprofit Corporation

Entity #: 10812D

Status:

Good Standing

AK Formed Date:

3/20/1972

Duration/Expiration:

Perpetual

Home State:

ALASKA

Next Biennial Report Due:

7/2/2020

Entity Mailing Address:

PO BOX 1232, BARROW, AK 99723

Entity Physical Address:

7000 UULA STREET, BARROW, AK 99723

Registered Agent

Agent Name:

Bernice Kalgelak

Registered Mailing Address:

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PO BOX 1232, BARROW, AK 99723

Registered Physical Address:

1728 AHKOVAK ST, BARROW, AK 99723

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